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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Roybal Caballero ORIGINAL DATE 1/28/2020
LAST UPDATED _____ HB 52
SHORT TITLE Multicultural Programming at UNM SB _____
ANALYST Valenzuela

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY20	FY21		
	\$900.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Higher Education Department
University of New Mexico

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 52 appropriates \$900 thousand from the general fund to the University of New Mexico for the purpose of funding multicultural program, i.e., Africana Studies, Chicana or Chicano Studies, Native American Studies, the Southwest Hispanic Research Institute at UNM.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$900 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY21 shall revert to the general fund. However, institutions of higher education do not revert general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

HB52 appropriates \$225 thousand to each of the following programs for leadership development, community-based engagement, curriculum development for high-school and college courses, and faculty scholarship for (1) Africana studies program (2) Chicana or Chicano studies department; (3) Native American studies department; and (4) Southwest Hispanic Research Institute.

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Both the FY21 executive and the LFC appropriation recommendations provide funding to these programs.

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